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Largest Christmas Party Is Staged By Local 12

Children At Yuletide Affair Hits New Attendance High

Nearly 3000 children and adults packed into Civic Auditorium last Sunday afternoon to mark up a new high point in attedance at the Local 12 annual Christmas party.

More than 1500 screaming, enthusiastic little ones watched with wide-eyed interest while dancers, acrobats, singers, a magician and muscle boys went through their paces in a two hour show which would do credit to the professional stage. But the high point came when a rosy-cheeked, cheerful-looking Santa Claus descended down the chimney set upon the stage of the Civic Auditorium with a bag full of toys, games, candy and other gifts for the children of Local 12 members.

Sing for Santa

Under the guiding hand of Edie Hanf, master of ceremonies for the party, the children brought Santa in with a full-throated and joyous Christmas song, "Jingle Bells." As the children sang two stanzas of the time-worn, but always new Christmas song, Santa Claus backed out from the large fireplace with his bag of toys and brought forth a great cheer from the little ones.

Hundreds of eager children came down the sides of the Auditorium guided by the Willys-Overland Flying Squadron who ushered the little ones and their parents prior to the performance, and who did yeoman service in keeping order and aiding the children find their parents after they had received their gifts.

Santa Claus, aided by volunteers from many of Local 12 shops and the members of the Local 12 Women's Auxiliary handed out hundreds of gifts to the children as they passed before the stage. Games, toys, candy, popcorn balls and other Christmas gifts were given out to the little ones who ranged in age from six months to lads

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Re-Elected

Richard Lazette, was re-elected to serve his second term as President of the Toledo Industrial Union Council at the annual election held on Dec. 14.

Toledo Credit Unions To Hold Conference

A conference of the Toledo Chapter of Credit Unions will be held Wednesday, Dec. 27, at the Co-op Center, 1822 Adams St., at 8:00 p. m., relative to the closing of Credit Union Books. Treasurers from various Credit Unions will take part in the discussion. Lowell Aultman, vice-president and publicity chairman of the chapter will preside over the meeting and lead the discussion. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

Tobin to Replace Perkins

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 — (LPA)—Rumors that Teamsters president Daniel Tobin would replace Frances Perkins as Secretary of Labor in FDR's new cabinet, current in Washington last week, have been reported to AFL members in the AFL's official weekly news sheet.

At the same time, according to John T. Moutoux, writer for PM newspaper, the CIO is becoming much less positive in its support for Tobin for the post. Both AFL and CIO leaders were ready to approve Tobin earlier this year. CIO president Philip Murray, according to the PM report, has changed his mind.

Miss Perkins sent an undated letter of resignation to Roosevelt some time ago, but there has been no indication as to whether FDR will accept the resignation and appoint a new Secretary of Labor when he takes office for his fourth term.

Lazette Re-Elected TIUC Head

Richard L. Lazette was re-elected to serve his second term as president of the Toledo Industrial Union Council at the annual election held at Council headquarters, 611 Huron St., December 14. Earl O. Ordway, Spicer Unit, Local 12, was re-elected to his second term as vice-president.

Kenneth L. Cole on leave of absence, was re-elected executive secretary. Mr. Cole is in Washington on a special assignment with the UAW-CIO. Tom Burke who has been acting executive secretary in Mr. Cole's absence will continue temporarily in the same position.

Re-elected were Dan Sahadi, Local 224, TWU, recording secretary; Don Blair, Willys Unit, Local 12, UAW, attendance secretary and William Klockowski, Local 35, URWDSAE, sergeant at arms.

Others Elected

Others elected were Frank Kowalski, Mather Unit, Local 12, UAW, assistant sergeant at arms; Ivo Erwin, Local 363, URWDSEA, treasurer; Evelyn Marks, Champion Unit, Local 12, librarian and Pete Hess, Local 43, ANG, three year trustee.

Elected to the executive board at large were Melvin Lazette, Toledo Pipe Threading Unit, Local 12, UAW; Joseph Shea, Local 12, UAW; Louis Mattox, Acklin Unit, Local 12, UAW; Chester Kapela, Local 323, ACWA; Charles Rodgers, Local 12, UAW; James Jones, Die Casters; George Scott, Glass Workers, Local 9, and Michael Burke, Willys Unit, Local 12.

To Eliminate Board

Delegates to the Toledo Industrial Union Council voted last month to eliminate the CIO News (Metropolitan Toledo Edition) after the last week of December and named the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL official CIO newspaper in Toledo. In accord with this decision, an amendment, to the Council Constitution eliminating the board of control of the CIO News was given its first reading at the meeting.

Named to the CIO News board of control to serve until

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Bond Drive Passes Quota

Although final results of the Sixth War Loan Drive in Lucas County's industrial plants and business places will not be known until after January 1st, it has been officially announced that the drive, insofar as purchases of all types of bonds are concerned, has passed the quota of $42,162,000. Toledo has not reached its quota of "E" bond sales which was set at $9,369,000.

Forty-two of the 126 firms in Lucas County have already reported their employee purchases of bonds over their plant quotas, Mr. C. H. L. Thompson, Industrial Chairman, announced. He indicated that this number of firms whose names are placed on the Honor Roll after their employee purchases of bonds passed the goal, will be considerably larger this week and by the end of the year may include almost all the firms in this division.

Mr. Thompson paid a special tribute to the colunteer workers in the plant who made the actual calls and sales of Sixth War Bonds. Without these workers it would have been impossible to have reached this point in the drive, Mr. Thompson said.

Avery Defies War Labor Board

Santa Comes To Local 12 Children

The handsome Santa Claus above gladdened the hearts of 1500 children of Local 12 members, when he visited the Civic Auditorium last Sunday afternoon at the largest Christmas party ever given by the local. Nearly 3,000 children and adults packed the spacious Auditorium to overflowing to witness an excellent show, movies, and the eager antics of the children as they received their gifts from Santa Claus.

Congressmen Election Challenged

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 19 — (LPA)—The Nov. 7 election of 79 Congressmen from the eight poll-tax states has been challenged as unconstitutional by the Southern Electoral Reform League.

The 79 representatives were notified by registered mail that the legality of their election was questioned. If replies from the 79 are not received within 31 days the Virginia organization, which admittedly seeks to abolish the poll-tax, will file notices of contest with the Congressional Elections Committees. Ironically, the chairman of all three election committees are poll-taxers.

Basis of the action, instituted by Moss A. Plunkett of this city, is Section 2 of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution.

Mail Workers' Pay Increase Before Congress

WASHINGTON (LPA(—Salary scales 20 years old confront mail carriers with expiration next June of a small cost of living bonus granted in 1943. A pay raise bill has been passed in the House 133 to 1, and a companion measure in the Senate is sponsored by Sen. James M. Mead (D, N. Y.).

No increase in basic salary for the postoffice clerks and letter carriers has been granted since 1925. Since then, despite manpower shortages and increased mail load, the mailmen have continued pre-war excellence of service. The measure now before Congress will increase basic pay by $400 annually, and would replace a temporary measure passed in 1943 giving certain workers increases of $300 a year.

Work-Fight Demand Questioned

WASHINGTON Dec. 18 (LPA)—Reports that "tremendous progress" is being made in speeding production of war materials highlighted the picture of the nation's war effort, as Washington agency heads described it last week.

Acting WPB head Hiland G. Batcheller gave the good news in reporting that production of 15 critical items—tires, B-29 bombers, heavy artillery ammunition, navy rockets — all had spurted ahead in November and that they were 11% above the October levels.

To tighten up the war mobolization and reconversion staff headed by White House aide James F. Byrnes, it was announced that a full staff had been set up to deal with manpower and production problems.

Work Or Fight

Contrasted with the report on production progress was news on the manpower front, where Byrnes took a hand by ordering that men in deferred draft classifications either "work or fight". Byrnes claimed his order, which would make draft boards send to the armed services all men aged 26-38 who were not willing to serve on essential war jobs, was aimed to fill the gaps in Army and Navy caused by discharges of men to fill key war production jobs.

The Byrnes proposal has been assailed by labor leaders, who call this another "scare" device in the drive for compulsory labor draft.

Few Discharged

They point out that only a few thousand men have been discharged from Army and Navy to return to key war industry posts. Most of these men, they say, were jerked from their jobs by arbitrary action of selective service agencies in the first place.

Questions are being asked here about the legality of the Byrnes "work or fight" order. Selective Service, several competent lawyers point out, has as its job obtaining enough men to maintain the armed forces. They assert that it has no business trying to administer forced labor rulings.

Labor representatives add that WMC has no power to enforce its rulings on employers, and that widespread violations —in the form of labor hoarding inefficiency in using workers' full skills and refusal to pay living wages—still exist on the part of employers.

TIUC Seeks Radio Station

Delegates to the Toledo Industrial Union Council in their meeting of Dec. 14 voted unanimously to make application for an FM radio station license which will be in operation sometime after the war ends.

Action taken by the Toledo CIO is in line with the policy of the CIO expressed at its recent Chicago convention. The UAW-CIO has already made application for six FM station licenses to be placed in six key cities.

Refuses To Appear Before Federal Agency To Answer Charges

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (LPA)—To hell with law, to hell with government, to hell with the war— that's what Sewell Avery and Montgomery Ward told the War Labor Board last week.

In the most insolent defiance of the American government in the history of labor-management relations, Montgomery Ward refused to appear before the WLB to answer charges that it forced its workers to strike to win pay raises and maintenance of membership granted by WLB.

While hundreds of striking workers picketed Montgomery Ward stores in Detroit, the company telegraphed WLB chairman Wm. H. Davis that it would not obey the Board's summons because "If the purpose of these hearings is merely to ascertain Ward's position it remains the same."

Give Illness Excuse

An additional cover-up excuse was given in the telegram which Chairman Davis read to a conference room jammed with reporters and government officials waiting for the explosion that never came off. The excuse was that Ward's lawyer was ill.

This flimsy alibi was blasted by President Samuel Wolchok, of the United Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Employes-CIO, who pointed out that John Barr, Ward's labor relations manager who signed the telegram, was not ill, nor was Sewell Avery nor the rest of his high-powered legal staff.

"This telegram is an insult not only to the War Labor Board but to the Montgomery Ward workers," Wolchok told Chairman Davis. "The company cannot face these charges that they have refused to comply with your directives."

Sewell Avery has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars fighting unionization of Ward workers, Wolchok declared. "Right now," he continued, "the company owes close to $1,000,000 to its workers under the WLB's directive."

Didn't Want Strike

Wolchok told the Board he didn't want to strike nor did Ward's workers, who were walking the picket lines. "These strikers out today are feeling the pinch in their stomachs. You can't hold them back because they have reached the end of their rope. Ward workers in other cities would like to join them not only in their own interests but also out of sympathy."

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War Chest Goal Passed

Due to the generosity of the workers of Toledo, particularly CIO, the Greater Toledo Community War Chest drive which was recently completed was oversubscribed. The goal was set at $1,309,944 with $1,327,922.77 being pledged.

Supported by the Chest are 73 agencies including Local hospitals and social agencies, Boy Scouts, Day Nursery and other worth while projects. Included in the agencies are the local and national USO, War Prisoners Aid, Allies War Relief and the National War Fund. Of the total agencies supported by the Chest, 42 are local health and welfare agencies.

Oversubscribe Quota

A new high was reached in this year's Chest drive in the oversubscribing of the quota requested. Last year's Chest fund was slightly under the quota. Roy Loftus, Chest secretary, recently reported that by Nov. 30, 92.3 per cent had been collected on pledges made for the year 1944. Many of this year's payments into the Chest were made in full at the time the subscribers signed up.

Richard Lazette, Toledo Industrial Union Council president is head of the CIO section of the War Chest. Information relative to the Chest may be obtained from him, or by calling the War Chest directly. During the past year, many members of the CIO have been aided by the Chest and have had occasion to find out the high quality of the service given to those who need the type of work which the various agencies are prepared to render.

City Council Refuses Park Site Purchases

After hearing arguments pro and con on the proposed purchase of land near Bay View Park and Landers Field for park and recreational purposes, city council at its Monday night meeting turned thumbs down on the proposition.

Proposal to purchase the park property came after the city planning commission had rejected the housing project intended for Negro occupancy due to the fact that some of the streets platted were not owned by the company which was to erect the houses.

Prior to the vote of council, dozens of spectators filled the chamber to listen to the argumens for and against the purchase of the property. G. S. Smith, chairman for the National Association for Advancement of Colored People presented a brief in which he listed 10 objections to the proposed purchase.

Appeal For Parks

Appearing for the North End Improvement Association and asking council to purchase the North Toledo property was Mrs. Anna Nonnemacher, who stated that it had been the belief of North Toledo residents that the property belonged to the city and that she was "amazed" when she discovered it was privately owned. She asked the city to purchase the land and continue to maintain the playground.

Walter Luedtke, representing the Hawley-Central Association spoke for the purchase of the Landers site.

A letter from the Race Department of the Federal Council of Churches was read protesting the purchase of the North Toledo land which it termed a "travesty." The letter said that in view of the close proximity of Bay View Park and Sterling Park to the two proposed sites the purchases should not be made.

Argue About Surplus

During the course of the discussion, city manager George N. Schoonmaker was asked if the city had sufficient money to make the land purchases, reputed to be $18,000. Replying in the affirmative, the city manager said that the city would end its year with a surplus in excess of $100,000. Both Councilmen Thatcher and DiSalle criticized the city manager for not informing Council of the surplus.

When the vote came, councilmen defeated the proposal by a six to three majority. Voting for

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Extra! Extra!

WASHINGTON (LPA) Union leaders found themselves in complete agreement with Rep. Ham Fish for the first time in years last week as the Republican isolationist made his farewell speech in Congress.

Blaming Gov. Thomas Dewey for his defeat, Fish expressed hope that Dewey would not run again for governor of New York. "If he does," Fish warned, "he would be defeated by a half-million votes."

UAW Head Promises Army More Shells

Regional Director Praises Workers For War Production

Soldiers recently returned from the German war front who visited Willys-Overland on Dec. 15 and 16 and urged more effort in the production of shells were told by Richard Gosser, UAW-ACIO regional director that they would receive "more and more shells.'

Director Gosser made the same promise before the soldiers visited Toledo in a talk before the members of the Willys-Overland Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO in the Civic Auditorium on Dec. 1. He repeated his promise at a dinner held in the Willys-Overland administration building, Dec. 16.

Soldiers who visited the Willys plant and talked with the workers included Staff Sergeant Clarence W. Alexis, Faiconer, N. Y.; Corporal Myles D. Gates, Kingsley, Iowa; Technician Fifth Grade Lars C. Larsen, Thompson, Iowa; Pfc. Harry T. Gaby, Frisco, Texas; Pfc. Louis M. Cocozza, Lawrence, Mass.; Pfc. Leo A. Crivello, Alton, Ill. and Capt Gordon H. Sympson, Bardstown, Ky.

Speeches Made

Talks were given at the dinner by company officials, Army officers and the heads of union.

Ward M. Canaday speaking for the management spoke of the pride of the Willys-Overland in its production job and said that "we sometimes need the inspiration afforded by the vivid pictures given us today by these men direct from the front lines."

Mayor Lloyd E. Roulet introduced the soldiers and officers to the workers who assembled at the administration building for the final meeting.

In his talk, Regional Director Richard Gosser spoke of the pride the workers at Willys-Overland in their production job and praised them for their productivity ever since the beginning of the war. He promised that the workers would de-

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GREETINGS

Christmas greetings from Richard Gosser, Director, Region 2-B UAW-CIO, Melvin Schultz, president, Local 12 and other editorial page writers will be found on page 4.

Pvt. Edward J. Duck's column was received too late for the Christmas Edition, but will appear in next week's paper.

UAW Continues Regional Activities

Contract negotiations are proceeding in a number of new plants in Region 2-B according to an announcement of Richard Gosser, director, Region 2-B UAW-CIO.

Among the newer contracts being negotiated are those of the Defiance Screw Machine, McCord Radiator Co., Wauseon, and the Motor Iron Parts Co., Whitehouse.

Workers at the Defiance Screw Machine Co. recently voted overwhelmingly in favor of the UAW-CIO as did those of the McCord Radiator Co. The latter was a UAW-AFL plant. The results of the election gave the AFL 5 votes, while the UAW-CIO was able to collect a total of 96.

As a result of negotiations and the directive of the War Labor Board, employees of the Napoleon Products Co. will receive back pay retroactive to March 30, 1944. The contract is in full force and includes as two of its important clauses, maintenance of membership and checkoff.

Negotiations in the Defiance, Wauseon and Whitehouse contracts were in charge of Harold F. Kolbe attached to the office of Regional Director Gosser. He also has been in charge of the organizational drive at the Defiance Alloyed Products Co., Defiance, where an NLRB election will be held on Dec. 19. The AFL will also be on this ballot.

Other important contract negotiations which are under way in the Toledo area include those of the American Propeller Corp., Northern Aircraft, Toledo Machine and Tool Co. and Mayle Mfg. Co. Cloid Litchty of Director Gosser's office is in charge of the negotiations.

Other work in which Mr. Lichty is engaged has resulted in recent WLB approval of Form 10's at the Dura Co., Marleau-Hercules Fence Co., American Swiss and Unitcast Corporation.

Several dispute cases involving wages and contracts are being handled by Mr. Lichty for Locals. 14, 16 and 48. A recent settlement was effected in the case of the AP Parts Co., involving equal pay for equal work. The WLB granted requested increases retroactive to Dec. 13, 1943. A final settlement has also been reached on a WLB order to the employes of the AP Parts granting skilled and semi-skilled workers an eight cents per hour increase retroactive to July 6, 1943.

Shells

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liver more and more shells and would co-operate in the future as they had in the past with the military and company management in the production of the 155 mm shells.

Artillery shells are urgently needed in the European theatre of war due to the slowing down of the drive into Germany brought about by bad weather and a stiffening of German resistance. Government cutbacks also have played some part in the shortage of shells which are needed for the final drive into Germany.

Ford Docks Workers For Voting

ALBANY, N. Y. (LPA) — Docking three workers two hours pay each because they took time off to vote on Nov. 7 resulted in criminal indictment of the Ford Motor Co. and three of its employes here last week.

Park Site

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the land purchase were Councilmen Czelusta, Jurrus and Millard. Opposed were councilmen Bame, Burke, DiSalle, Lehman, Roulet and Thacher.

Burke Asks Action

Several of Councilman Aloysius Czelusta's embattled constituents from the fourth ward attended the meeting to see if they could discover whether the Councilman was representing them or Al Sobb, garage operator who maintains a junk yard in the vicinity of Lagrange and Mettler Sts.

Instead of Councilman Czelusta rising to seek to have the nuisance abated, it was Councilman Tom Burke who rose and told of the efforts of the fourth ward residents to have the junk yard moved. Mr. Burke pointed out that the maintenance of the yard was contrary to the city zoning law and asked that immediate steps be taken to force the owner to comply with the law. He said the owner knew the yard was in conflict with the zoning ordinance and had promised to move it, but so far had not carried out his promise. The matter was referred to the city manager for appropriate action.

Lazette

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the section of the charter dealing with the CIO News is repealed were the following: Irving Woodtke, Local 35, URWDSEA; Anthony Pacholski, Local 12 UAW, Jack Lane, Local 166, ACWA, Marion Carroll, Local 29, UOPWA and Norton Ackerman, UCAPWA.

Tom Burke was authorized by the Council to draw up a resolution to be presented to city council calling for an enlarged and year-round city recreation program.

Peterson Named IAM Secretary-Treas.

WASHINGTON (LPA)—The Intl. Assn. of Machinists has a new secretary-treasurer, Eric Peterson, who has been an active member of the IAM for the past 31 years.

Peterson takes the place of Emmett C. Davison, who died last month. Into Peterson's vice-presidential post goes Samuel L. Newman, and Newman is being replaced by A. J. Hayes. All were appointed by the executive board of the IAM. They serve until the regular referennda of IAM members next July.

Avery

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While Wolchok was telling the Board that Avery "hates not only organized labor but every government agency and the President of the United States," CIO unions through Michigan were rallying to the support of the strikers.

Emphasizing his fear that the strike might spread to crucial war industries Wolchok read a resolution signed by presidents of all CIO local unions in Detroit pledging "the fullest physical and financial support" to the strike.

Poorest Paid Workers

Because of Ward's refusal to obey the WLB order of May, 1944, setting a $20.25 basic wage for a 44-hour week in Detroit stores, Avery's workers are among the poorest paid in the nation, Wolchok told Davis. Avery also refused to comply with another part of the Board's order to give pay raises of $1 to $2.25 to employes earning more than $35 a week.

After hearing Wolchok tell the story of Ward's four-year defiance of the government, Chairman Davis announced that Montgomery Ward would be given just four days to comply with its orders. Failure to comply will mean government seizure of Ward properties in all cities where the Board's order is not obeyed.

While the first wartime strike authorized by an international CIO union swung into high gear with the support of 240 local CIO unions in Detroit, Walter Reuther, vice-president of the United Auto Workers-CIO, proposed that if the government should take over the M-W plants the profits should also go to the government. Government seizure early this year of the Chicago Ward plant and offices, from which Avery was removed by soldiers, failed to interrupt the company's business or profit-taking.

Party

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whose voices began on a deep bass and ended crackingly upon a high falsetto note, evidence of their changing age.

Present Long Show

One of the finest shows ever produced at a Christmas party was presented before the children met Santa Claus. Beginning with three reels of animated cartoons, the show continued under the skillful direction of Eddie Hanf.

Marilyn Scheerer presented several acrobatic dances which were exceptional well done and showed talent that would win a big hand on the professional stage. Her drum majorette dance was one of the outstanding acts of its kind ever given on a local stage and brought loud applause from children and adults alike.

Donald Lea, magician, stood the audience to its feet with his magic and mystified the crowd to its utter delight, while Joe Adamski and his three little boys put on an act of juvenile acrobatics and balancing that merits big-time billing.

Barbara Terrsong gave a novelty dance, and Eddie Hanf's little daughter, age 4, did a military tap dance that rated the descriptive word "cute" from the audience. The performance was topped off with a skating team, the Rolletes, with a balancing and swinging skating act that pleased the large audience.

Biggest Party

Members of the committee in charge of the Christmas party, Local 12 officers and spectators agreed that the pary was the largest and best ever produced by Local 12. When the doors of the Civic Auditorium were opened at 1:30 p. m., a few adults and children strolled in, but by 2:30 p. m. the SRO sign was put out and hundreds stood along the side walls and in the back of the Auditorium craning their necks to watch the enterainment.

William Healey in charge of the party pronounced it the most outstanding success the Local has ever achieved in the eight years the party has been staged. He said, "this tops all other Christmas parties ever given by the Local. We are grateful to the Local for making the party possible and appreciate everything done by the Women's Auxiliary, volunteers who worked, the Flying Squadron and others who assisted us in making this party the great success it was."

Music was supplied by the Local 12 band under direction of Carmen Broderick, which played Christmas carols and other appropriate music. Chuck Truckee accompanied the singing and dancing acts at the piano.

Members of the party committee included William Healey, Edward Couturier, Arnold Shenofsky and William Joy.

Oregon Unions Top War Fund Records

PORTLAND, Ore. (LPA)—CIO unions in the Portland area broke all records in contributions to the Community War Chest, it was announced last week by Nathalie E. Panek, Northwest Director of the National CIO War Relief Committee.

Dismissal Pay Clauses

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 — Dismissal pay provisions in union contracts, which have become of special union interest because of WLB approval of such a plan in the steel wage case, are the subject of a study by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Dept. of Labor.

Individual copies of the Labor Dept. study, which includes sample dismissal pay clauses from union contracts, are available for union officials on request.

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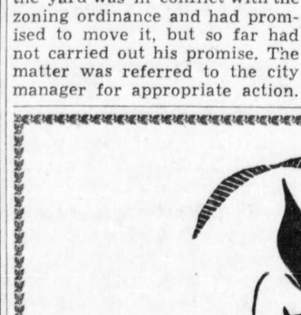

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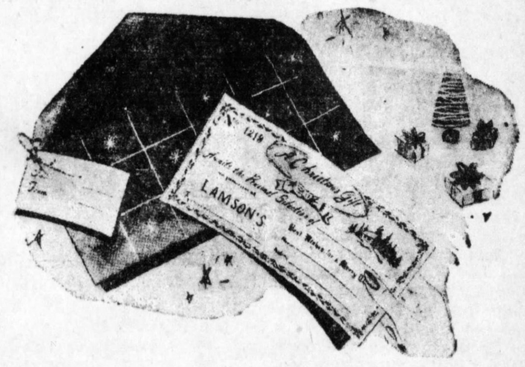

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It's a baby girl! The proud mama is Jackie Antkowiak, who is in Women's & Children's Hospital.

The second shift bowling teams are coming along just swell. Last week the supply team beat the office team by three games. Keep it up, boys. After all, Olive has $5.00 bet on the supply team.

The gals on the second shift in department L in E wish Pauline Heiden a speedy recovery. We miss you keed, so hurry back.

We hope that Helen Leck who is slowly recovering in Flower Hospital will soon be up and around. Won't be very nice to spend Christmas in bed.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. George Moore. Mr. Moore was employed in the tool room and in the past year or two had two severe bouts with pneumonia. He leaves his wife, LaDonna, who works on the second shift, and five children. Mr. Moore died last Friday.

Who is the short, insistant, bond salesman in department L, second shift, who is still trying to sell a bond to a fella on the labeling machine????

Agnes Koester, stewardess in department L in E nights, celebrated a birthday December 16th. May you have many more, Aggie!

We often wonder if some of the boys and gals who never seem to have a dime when the service collection comes around, have a guilty conscience. After all the boys are giving their arms, their legs and their lives; while we are only asking for a dime. Remember if they hadn't left their jobs, you wouldn't be working.

Who is the tall, slim fellow on days, 3rd floor, who doesn't like to see things running smoothly. He threatens to lay off the entire 2nd shift if they don't stop singing Christmas carols. Maybe this man would rather they would argue and pull hair instead. Just the same we are Americans and will always sing.

Who is the welder on the second shift who suddenly got a passout and the reason turned out to be mumps? We thought you outgrew that sore of thing, Chuck.

Bernita Schug, stewardess on the 1st floor, second shift aviation, just came back from a sick leave. Nice to have you back, Bernie. Hope everything is under control.

What guy on the 3rd shift went hunting for pheasants and got the surprise of his life when the pheasant turned out to be frozen stiff? Nice going, Walter.

GIFFORD TO VISIT N. Y.

Frances Gifford, movie beauty, will visit New York after she completes her leading role in "Our Vines Have Tender Grapes." She has been in most major cities of the country on bond tours, except New York.

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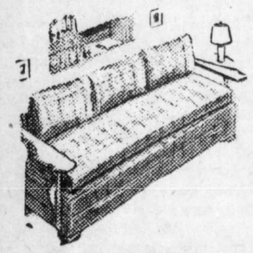

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Champion Spark Plug Unit Local 12 UAW-CIO

National

Supply Unit News

By "Shorty" Sager

Don't forget. Our New Year's Eve party will take place, Sunday, Dec. 31, beginning at 8:30 p. m. Plan to come and bring your friends. Plenty of round and square dancing and refreshments. Come and see the old year out and the new year in.

WE WONDER

What is it that makes some formen think they can get more work out of their men by making them angry. So, Clif, we suggest that you be careful and remember that bigger men than you have been shoved back.

NOMINATIONS

Members of the nominating committee for the coming election have been elected. They are Ray Pund, Delbert Sager, John Dynes, George Pund, and Chas. Harrison. Recommendations for nominations should be turned in to any of the members of the committee. There will also be nominations from the floor, in keeping with the policy of a democratic organization.

AROUND THE SHOP

Under the sterling leadership of captain D. Pugh, dept. 36 continues to hold first place in the shop bowling league.

Otto Katasehke bowled the first 200 game of his career. A big deal.

Those rollicking rollers from Scotland are rolling right along.

If John McKnight would be polite and remove his hat, his Tool Crib team might do better.

Louis Clark seems to be slipping, he should bring the little lady along again.

"Cassinova" Steve Kozak, dept. 36, is about ready to join the Seabees, because he can't keep up with the pace set in the night spots.

Noah Scherack formerly employed in dept. 30 is back after 30 months in overseas duty. He went through the shop recently while home on furlough.

Bob Finch, former electrician at National Supply is now in England.

As a gesture of goodwill to Wolf, the boys in dept. 30 and 39 are going to paint the mirror on the canteen machine black so the lad won't be forced to comb his hair so often. What he doesn't see won't hurt his pride.

The new oiler in dept. 85 was seen practicing up recently. He was oiling the buckles on his overshoes so he can make better time going and coming to work. What's your hurry Ted?

Henie Hafner, dept. 39, is back in crib 3. He says he couldn't stand it any longer outside a "cage."

Delbert (Dewey) Bordner, dept. 37 says that since FDR was elected we are sure to have a long hard winter. He must be one of those unreconstructed Republicans.

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RAISES

We wonder if those congressmen and senators who tried to jam a raise in salary through this session for themselves ever gave a little consideration to the underpaid nonproductive workers in factories.

This reactionary, labor hating congress only wanted a raise for themselves. Never mind the people who really deserved it. After denying that the cost of living is steadily rising, they had the guts to say that they themselves couldn't live on the salary they receive.

Sure we have friends in the two legislative branches of congress but they are so far in the minority that they cannot help us and the majority stand solid behind the War Labor Board and its little steel formula. We hope to have more friends for labor among the newly elected representatives and senators who will help us break the little steel formula which is only an imaginary line among those pays on the WLB on the amount of wages you are entitled to receive.

We think the incoming congress should take the necessary steps to see that the underpaid non-productive workers get a raise and also overhaul the WLB. We would like to suggest to all interested in justice to these workers that you write to your congressman who is Homer A. Ramey, to the big money representative and isolationist Robert Taft, yes man Burton and to the WLB. that you are protesting their decision.

There is an old saying "By Their Deeds They Shall Be Known" and this congress shall be known for years to come as the lousiest, labor hating bunch that ever disgraced the halls of our national capitol. So write today to Ramey, Taft and Burton and tell them what you think. They are not tender skinned. To prove this—there was a short article in the daily paper which stated the Senate approved a bill raising the salary of all the clerks who work for congressmen and senators to $3000 a year. These clerks are usually a near relative of the law maker who may have a way to drain this raise back in their own pockets. We can forsee that this might cause a lot of suspicion that the workers are being cheated out of a wage increase.

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Please take notice Mrs. Saint Aubin owner of the Home Box Lunch Co. People who work get hungry and they want to eat but cannot because your canteen that supplies department 605 runs out of food every now and then.

We notice that you have a man in there now and we hope he won't be bashful in calling you when that happens again. It might be a good idea to send more food over.

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We wonder why these would-be bosses who think they are chemists would not try out their ideas on something besides furnaces. We need these furnaces to get out all the shells possible and would like to suggest you stick to the old formula when you put a new coating on the furnace floor. It couldn't been one of Swigarts ideas could it?

We wonder what is the matter with certain supervisors lately that they do not like to issue A. V. O.'s to workers so they can go to the employment office and get temporary transfers to other departments on week ends. There are a few departments that only work five days. Can it be you are afraid you will get someone out of line and you will have to pay them. Yes, we understand Eschedor, the big shot of the employment office, must have had to pay some-one because a certain brother asked him for a temporary transfer on December 8, and he almost had a stroke before he handed it out. What's the matter Carl are you slipping?

Did you drop your quarer in the jar this week when your steward brought it around? Think how you would feel if you over there figthing in the mud, snow, slush and jungle and jumping into every fox hole you could find. How you would brag to your buddies—"just a few more days and I will get my monthly box." Don't tell us that wouldn't make you feel good to know your brothers and sisters have not forgotten. Maybe you do not know this box contains besides cigaretts, tooth paste, shaving cream and many other useful articles, also reading matter. We send our union papers to them as it gives them a lot of pleasure to read about members they knew when they worked at the Overland. Come on lets all put our quarters in the jar every week and keep up this grand job. You will never miss them for the satisfaction you get out of giving.

The officers and members of the Willys Unit would like to convey their sympathy to the family of Pvt. Reginal Parrish formerly of department 442116, who paid the supreme sacrifice that democracy might live.

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SMITH'S Lunch Stand

Canco Unit

Opener

By Ted Modrowski

DOUBLE TROUBLE

Casimer "Skeex" Roginski is having his share of misery lately. He is in the doghouse with the boys in the Machine Shop for running two jobs at one time and he's having trouble with the foreman because he won't run three.

Just as soon as Shearmires Sunshine Boys learn a few tricks about the game of basketball they will be challenged by the Canco Unit Stalwarts. In the line-up for the Stalwarts you will find dependables such as Tommy Ricinski, Ernie Schultz, Ed McMillen, Bill Wiesehan and Frank Rippinger. The Sunshine Boys are entered in the "Y" League under the guise of American Can Company. (This team should have jackets to go along with those snappy uniforms).

The guy who said, "Santa Claus is the only one who can run around with a bag all night and not get talked about," never spoke more truthful words.

Junior Mitchell said "She laughed when I sat down to play—but when I came over to the divan she got scared as hell."

"I'm cutting quite a figure," said Bernice DeMuth as she sat upon the broken glass. (Says the editor "corny.)

Will some kind soul please advise Carmen Nader what a 'goblet' is? It isn't the child of a sailor.

Johnny Demski will never live this down. One day while under the influence, he put a nickle in a pay phone and waited two hours for the peanuts to come out. Did you get them Johnny? Then there is one about a guy who put five pennies in a pay phone and wondered why he couldn't get the dial tone.

WITH TRIMMINGS

We wish a very Merry Christmas to all the members of the American Can Unit, the Regional Director and his staff, the officers of Local 12, The Toledo Union Journal Staff, employees of the American Can who are not members of our Unit and the Management of the Company. Good cheer to you all.

HERE AND THERE

"Do you want your uniform too big or too small?" is what a few of us will be hearing shortly.

To the many people who said we can't let them get away with the stuff they pulled in Dept. 2, we say, "Remain united as you are and you will have no cause to worry about a dictatorship developing in our plant."

The next column will be used to bring back a few memories of the past year. You are all welcome to submit your most pleasant or unpleasant memories.

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Five Nations Memorialize Anti-Fascist

NEW YORK (LPA)—Simultaneous memorial meetings in honor of Carlo Tresca, crusading anti-totalitarian editor murdered in the dim-out here in 1943, will be held in various American cities and in Italy, England, Mexico, and Cuba, on Thursday, January 11, second aniversary of his death.

Arrangements are now being made for such gatherings in Suimona, birthplace of Tresca in Italy; in London, Mexico City, Havana, San Francisco, Ios Angeles, Seattle, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Detroit, Boston, Providence, St. Louis, Paterson, N. P., New Haven, Conn. Lawrence, Mass., and other cities.

Norman Thomas, Socialist leader, is chairman of the New York memorial committee, which includes Dr. Angelica Balabanoff, Frank Crosswaith, Walter Frank, the Rev. Aron S. Gilmartin, America Gonzales, Sidney Hertzberg, Harry Kelly, Sheba Strunsky, Oswald Garrison Villard, M. R. Werner and Bertram D. Wolfe.

Plaskon

Powder Pounders

On behalf of your committee, I would like to extend to all a most enjoyable Merry Christmass. At this time it seems proper to recall that Christ was born to ease the sufferings of mankind and was persecuted for endeavoring to complete that task.

Our committee hoped to deliver a signed contract to us, but due to government red tape this hasn't yet been done. However the untiring efforts rendered by them is enough for me. It would be rather fine if we would pledge 100% cooperation to our committee and give them a vote of thanks instead of a kick in the pants. That is all the Christmas spirit—they desire. Will you go along with me on that.

New Items have been given me which attack Committeemen and Stewards. Let me tell you once and for all that, until you change shop writers nothing of such nature will appear in this column. Such things should be discussed the first Wednesday night of each month, at 425 Winthrop St. Parlor C, 2nd floor, 8:00 p. m.

Job Cut Planned By Bomber Plant

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18 (LPA)—Less than half of the 35,000 workers at the huge Glenn L. Martin plant here will have jobs with the company after the war ends, company officials now admit.

About 15,000 workers may be retained to continue production of fighting craft and commercial planes. Union officials state flatly that the 15,000 figure is "way high" unless the company develops more comprehensive plans for reconversion to peacetime production. Total employment in the auto and aircraft industry is currently 1,800,000, they pointed out, and unions and aircraft firms agree that probably no more than 200,000 workers will be needed after the war.

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What United Nations?

Events in Europe, particularly those about which Winston Churchill has spoken during the last week, do not lead themselves to any feelings of confidence that a lasting peace will come out of this war.

It must be apparent, even to the casual and poorly informed observer, that all is not unanimity in the camp of the so-called United Nations.

As the war nears its successful military conclusion, it becomes increasingly apparent that the ideology which marked its beginning and the major portion of its prosecution, has been displaced by a cynical striving after position, spheres or influence and other devices used in the game of international power politics.

To sit back and watch the seeds of World War III being planted before World War II has been ended, gives the people of this country an insight into what may occur in the future, unless perchance our government awakens to its own power and uses its position to prevent other and greater holcusts from occuring within a few years.

With all due respect to England's Winston Churchill and the dogged teneacity with which he has pursued his course and brought the British from defeat to what now appears to be certain military victory, we cannot and must not permit one man, or even one nation to dominate the thinking of the United Nations in an effort to divide and rule.

Too long has the world been ruled by a small clique of commercial-minded and mercenary men. Too long has the world suffered and bled because of the ambitious desires of a handful of selfish and greedy individuals to rule the markets of the world and enforce their wills upon the lives of millions!

The time has come for the United Nations to confer and come forth with a statement of policy. Now is the time that the peoples who have sacrificed for victory not be given the same treatment which marked the close of the last war. To indulge in deceit and hollow slogans at this time will be but to sow the seeds for a crop of future unrest and harvest the war of the not-so-distant future.

To carry this war to its successful conclusion, the United Nations must bring about a just and lasting peace, not a peace based upon relocating whole nations, or dividing Poland, neutralizing Greece, or setting up spheres of influence. These are the expedients of an unimaginative and worn out system, including the usual unsatisfactory division of spoils, the perpetuation of which has brought us into the present conflict.

No better time could be found than the present for the United Nations to really unite, settle upon a program based upon justice and state their war and postwar aims and program. To do less is to invite suspicion and dissatisfaction and guarantee us bigger and better wars in the future.

The Robots

Last week, several soldiers fresh from the German front visited in a Toledo plant and urged the workers, members of the CIO to produce a larger volumn of shells.

There is nothing wrong with the government sending Army men into any war plant to stimulate the workers to greater efforts, but, in reporting the visit in the press, the inference is made that the workers are lying down on the job.

In the newspaper reports of the visit last week, the words of one of the high moguls of management were extensively quoted. Pictures of the soldiers visiting with workers at their machines were shown and a great do do made about how production was going to mount by leaps and bounds was printed. But not one word was written about the what the workers or their leaders said.

Reading the daily press, we could very easily get the impression that the war workers were just a bunch of lazy louts who had to be whipped into enthusiasm every now and then by government, by soldiers who had served in combat and by a patriotic management. This is bunk, pure and simple, for it is an admitted fact, that labor, all during this war, has produced with a will and has achieved an outstanding record never before equalled in the industrial history of this country.

It's about time for the daily press to cease its constant campaign to cast discredit upon the workers and give them the credit which is due them. The conspiracy of silence leveled at Unions and their leadership must end—and now.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

The trouble in Greece may seem far away, but it is really closer than you think.

What we are witnessing in that small, distant, war-torn nation has much meaning for labor and the common folks of all nations. Here is proof—in the form of the dead bodies of Greek anti-Fascist fighters...dead bodies riddled with British bullets—here is proof that the plutocrats are using the war to save their power and privileges.

Those guns and bombs the British are using in Greece against the Greek people were made by English workers. But is this the purpose which English workers thought the weapons they made would be used for?

Oh, no!

Remember the Four Freedoms! Remember the Atlantic Charter!

Remember the outcome of Teheran, remember the brave new world promised to us by Messrs. Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin.

THE PAY OFF

British workers, like American workers, have sweated in the shops to produce the implements of war. They were told repeatedly that these weapons were needed to bat back the Fascist beast, needed to win the brave new world.

Do not strike, the workers have been told; for strikes will delay our march to the brave new world of the Four Freedoms.

Do not demand wage increases, the workers have been cautioned; for wage increases lead to inflation, and inflation will slow up our march to a world of freedom and plenty.

By and large, the workers have listened and heeded. They have worked and sweated in support of the war against Fascism.

But now comes the first sample of the pay-off—and Toryism is collecting all the bets.

SIMPLE ISSUES

The issues in the Greek situation are simple and easily understood.

During the Nazi occupation of that unhappy country, the bravest of the anti-fascist Greeks formed an underground organization with which to fight the Germans. When the break-through came, and the Nazis were chased out of Greece, this underground group led the fight.

In the course of the fighting, the anti-Fascist underground not only fought the German Nazis; it also battled those Greek traitors who joined the Hitler camp.

Now the anti-Fascist underground is asked to surrender its guns. But it is not assured that the pro-Nazi Greeks will also be disarmed and made to obey the will of the majority.

So Mr. Churchill is out to smash the Greek anti-Fascist underground movement.

CHURCHILL'S MOTIVES

Mr. Churchill wants a Greek government which can be controlled by the plutocratic elements he represents, in the interest of British imperialism. He wants a pro-Churchill government in Italy, in Belgium and in other liberated countries.

Without such puppet governments located in strategic spots around the world, he cannot keep his pledge not to "liquidate" the British empire.

Mr. Churchill's prattle about the menace of Communism in Greece has no bearing on the basic issues involved. It is for the Greeks—not the British—to decide whether or not there shall be Communism in Greece.

We are not fighting this war to turn the liberated countries over to control by Mr. Churchill and plutocratic imperialism."

"Goin' Somewheres, Bud?"

It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Millions of men have died in a war they not want, fighting against other men with whom they had no personal quarrel.

Other millions have bled, suffered privation, endured great hardships, waded through swamps and mud and stumbled and fallen prostrate in a struggle with other millions of men who have done the same thing.

Aircraft have flown over great industrial cities in England, France, Germany, Russia and other large countries and dropped death and destruction upon the innocent as well as the guilty.

Blood and suffering, sweat and tears are the lot of men today.

On the domestic scene we find others growing rich and powerful on the profits of the sorrows and suffering of the world. Others have cheated, chiseled and conspired to harass the workers, to keep down their wages, to wring the uttermost from them in toil and money.

Men who should be brothers in great common causes have double-crossed each other, jockeyed for position, conspired and sought to gain power at the expense of others with whom they should be one in unity of purpose and unity of action.

Backbiting and intrigue, scandal monging and lying, cheating and connivery have made our city streets, public buildings and organizations as full of feuds as the Arabian desert.

It's a great world, and in the face of all this we find people saying to each other "Merry Christmas."

WHY DO THEY

And as we look around at all the hypocracy, deceit, fighting, bleeding and dying which is taking place throughout the world today, we may wonder where is the Peace on Earth, where are the Men of Good Will?

Is it hypocritical for people who actually dislike each other to send Christmas cards which carry the inscription "Merry Christmas?"

It is a pious deceit to send a card to one whose throat we have tried to cut which reads, "May Christmas and the New Year bring you joy and happiness," and then the day after Christmas resume our efforts to bring discredit, humiliation and even disgrace upon our enemies?

What moves people to give fancy gifts to those whom they dislike, or for whom they have feelings of hatred, distrust or even secret contempt?

And these things are done. Yet, it is not in our hearts to say that it is all wrong for men to set aside their personal feelings for at least one day in the year, to make a sincere attempt to capture something of the real spirit of Christmas.

It is not wrong for anyone to send postcards to their worst enemies and wish them a Merry Christmas and call a one day truce in the war against them. Even soldiers have been known to quit killing each other for a few hours on Christmas to sing "Silent Night" and ponder upon the birth of One whose life was plagued by disloyal, deceitful double-crossers, and whose very death was the result of the success of ambitious and jealous-hearted men who rejected the principles of Christ.

Even today, this Christmas, while some men mouth the words "Merry Christmas," they scarcely realize their significance, but in some vague way feel that there is something about the day which even they, with their dim understanding, must not profane.

OUR WISH

Despite all the thoughts we have about Christmas, there is something all of us seem to believe in, and that is, that in some way, by some means which we may not clearly understand, men actually try to act like decent human beings for one day in the year.

The fact that most of us set aside our prejudices for one day, and at least try to understand the spirit that is Christmas, is a hopeful sign. It is an indication that there is something in us that makes us turn, even though it may be with a certain amount of doubt and misgiving, and give others a kindly word, a wish for happiness.

To use the words that come to mind at the moment:

There is so much good in the worst of us,
And so much bad in the best of us,
That it ill behooves any of us,
To rail at the faults of the rest of us.

To my friends, to my enemies, to those who fight in the hope that their sacrifices may bring about a better world, I say, "Merry Christmas."

More than that, it is my hope that on this day some glimmer of the True Light enter our minds, and that it may linger there as long as possible. Let us give thanks, that on at least one day a year we can forget our human faults and failings and try to act like Christians. A Merry Christmas to all, even to Matt Smith, secretary of the MESA.

Servicemen's Letters

Pleased With Letter

Dear Bro. Gosser:

I was very pleased when I found your letter on my bed. I appreciate and thank you for thinking so much of me. I also thank you for those boxes I have received in the past. They come in mighty handy especially now that I am out here on maneuvers. I don't get a chance to buy any cigarettes or writing material. I always look forward to getting a box. I think that sending boxes to boys in this country and to the boys who are fighting our enemies is one of the best things our factories are doing for us to keep up our morale and to show that the people back home are backing us up. Before I close this letter, I want to thank all of my fellow workers for contributing so generously to the gift boxes, we are receiving. There is nothing you could for me at the present but, if there ever comes a time when I need your help, I'll drop you a few lines. Thanks for everything.

Pvt. William D. Chinni,
35296198
Co. B, 9th Tank Bn.
20th A. D.—A. P. O. 444
Camp Campbell, Ky.

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Change Of Address

Dear Mr. Gosser:

I wish to inform you of my change in address, so that I may receive my box from the Union.

I want to thank you for the many boxes I have received and the articles that are in the box. The cigarettes sure do come in handy, they are just my brand. All the articles are really useful, and the union paper sure looks good too. I sure will be glad when this war is all over and I can come back to my job at Willys Overland. I think they are doing a great job in the production. I want to thank all of the members of Local 12, UAW-CIO for contributing toward the boxes.

Sincerely,
Pvt. Clarence R. Chatfield,
35084518
Co. E. 272 Inf. A. P. O. 417
Camp Shelby, Miss.

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No Time To Write

Camp Crowder, Mo.
October 28, 1944

Dear Mr. Gosser:

Received your greetings a few days ago. It was sent to my home address and my wife sent it on to me. Was very glad to hear from you I'm sure. There is only one of the boys writing to me that I've worked with, so you see I don't hear much from the shop. Everyone says they haven't time to write.

Sometimes I wonder if they have time to eat, and cash their checks. That's one thing I don't have to do is cash a check. We just stand in line for about ½ hour and get paid in cash. My pay up until last month was $16.55 per month after deductions. Of course my wife gets her check every month which helps out a lot. We haven't had to cash but two bonds as yet, so decided we couldn't buy any more for awhile.

I would like to receive the drive lines again. The Company sent it to my home address until I asked them to send it to me at camp. Since then, we didn't get it at all.

Very truly yours,
Pvt. Charles A. Hartman,
35299591
Co. I, A. S. F. U. C.
840th Sig. Tng. Bn.
Camp Crowder, Mo.

P. S.—How about the Spicer News too?

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Helped Build Parts

September 10, 1944
South Pacific

Dear Mr. Gosser:

I wish to thank you for your very nice letter, which I received today.

It is surely nice to know that you are so willingly helping everyone of us to make our job out here easier. As you know it isn't always easy.

Every day I see the parts you fellows are building there in Toledo. Some of them I helped to build myself. They are helping make victory for us come faster.

I get my boxes from W. O. regularly, they are really nice. I appreciate them and also the paper they send is the closest news of home I get from any source of news.

Thank you very much.

I remain sincerely yours,
Ernest Baker, S 1/c
Aviation Overhaul
Div. 8, Navy 140
F. P. O., San Francisco, Cal.

Political Action

by Clayton Rusch
Chairman of the Political Action Committee

Soon it will be Christmas. Christmas brings to mind many thoughts which are always associated with this glad season.

Aside from the reuniting with friends and relatives of whom we may not see much between holiday seasons. Aside from the presents given and received, is the thought of whose birthday Christmas is the anniversary and the teachings associated with his name.

It is unnecessary to raise any fine points in this doctrine about which there may be some disagreement of interpretation.

There cannot be any contraversy about the essentials of the teaching, and it is the essentials I wish to discuss, for they are very closely related to the Goal and Program of the Political Action Committee For Social Legislation.

I really mean essentials as I shall deal only with a few fundamental precepts.

PEACE

First of these is the ideal of Peace On Earth and Goodwill Toward Men. Next the maxim "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Thirdly, the principle of a Brotherhood of Man.

These ideals have been held before Mankind for two millenimuns. Even considered from the secular standpoint of social ethics, they will rate tops as the proper code of conduct for civilized humanity, and rightly so.

Yet, these precepts were often been attacked as impractical, as a desirable but unattainable way of life for erring human beings.

Those who present such arguments hold that war and poverty are just naturally in the order of things and cannot be eradicated.

The Social Security Program of the CIO and the Legislative Program of the PAC give the lie to such contentions.

Peace On Earth and Goodwill Toward Men is both possible and practical

RIGHTS

To obtain such an ideal it is only necessary to subordinate property rights to human rights; to have a government "dedicated to the proposition" that industry must be operated in the best interests of the whole people; that a job at living wages must be guaranteed to all; that adequate social security must be provided for all and the civil liberties of all must be protected.

We have today the material requisites to achieve this. We have men, machinery and natural resources. The only thing still needed is an active interest on the part of the common people in their government. To promote this interest and bring about the establishment and perpetuation of a Congress and Administration dedicated to the principles outlined above is the task of the PAC.

On behalf of the PAC I wish to extend to the readers of this column a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

At this time of year, our thoughts cannot help but turn to our boys who are seeing service in the far flung corners of the world in a bloody combat not of their choosing.

In times like these, it does seem a bit out of place to extend our Christmas greetings of peace and good will when the whole world is torn with conflict, suffering and bloodshed.

But the men in the armed forces do not feel that way about it. They certainly are thinking of their homes and families and they are wishing that it will be a Merry Christmas for the loved ones at home. They will remember the other and happier Christmas seasons of past years, and the memory will give them both pain and pleasure.

REMEMBER SERVICEMEN

Because of the work which our boys are doing to defeat the fascist nations and drive tyranny from Europe and Asia, we should be particularly anxious to provide all we can for our armed men's Christmas.

Our union, recognizing the sentiments and feelings of the boys at this time of the year, has sent out thousands of boxes containing many things which the boys need and want. We have done this, not only because we want to show our boys that their union organization remembers them and wants to keep their good will; but because it is fitting and proper to show our sentiments which do not spring from selfish, but from higher feelings.

I don't think there is anything too good for our soldiers. The sacrifices they are making for us should not and cannot be measured in dollars and cents, or in any other material way. These are the things of the spirit. No matter how much we do for our boys, and I hope we can do even more, we cannot begin to repay them for the things they are doing, the sacrifices which they are making and will continue to make.

WRITE LETTERS

Those of us who have friends or relatives in the armed forces, should not let this Christmas season pass without sending a letter or card to the fellows to let them know that we remember and that we do care. I know that thousands of our fellows from the UAW-CIO have received such letters and cards, and I know we earn the thanks and devotion of the boys whom we remember.

Finally, the folks who remain at home have many things to be thankful for on this Christmas day. Our cities have not been reduced to ruins of ruble. Our factories are operating, our trains are running, everything moves and goes on as though there were not a war going on in the world.

Most of us are making a fair living, eating well, living in fairly decent homes which are warm and comfortable. We scarcely realize there is a war, except that we have all been touched in some way, large or small by it through the wounding or loss of someone we know or to whom we are related. Our Christmas need not be unhappy, and it can be merry.

From the letters which I receive from hundreds of our boys in service, I know that they want us to have a Merry Christmas, and it makes them happy and gives them the spirit of the season just to wish something for us which they cannot enjoy in the same measure which we do.

Feeling as I do, and knowing the sentiments of the men who are doing their part in the actual fighting, I want to wish everyone, the officers of local unions, those in the shops, those in the homes of our workers, their wives and families, and all those who are serving in the armed forces, a Merry Christmas and all deeper spiritual joys which are associated with this season.

A Merry Christmas to you all!

Richard Gosser.

From The Desk

Melvin Schultz
President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

GREETINGS

"You've done a million little things
That I remember still,
And the Friendship we've been sharing
Means a lot . . . and always will;
So I'm saying "Merry Christmas"
And I really mean it too,
When I hope the coming New Year
Makes life happier for You!"

I believe that few other words could express any better than the above Christmas Greeting my feelings to the many sincere friends, I have found in the Labor Movement in our Community, as well as, in our entire International Organization. It is truly the time of the year when each and every person should realize that there is more to be obtained toward a fuller life by giving and helping others than there is to be selfish and critical without offering a better means of doing things.

I want to thank particularly the Shop Chairmen; the Officers and Representatives of the Local Union; our Regional Director, Brother Richard Gosser; his entire International Staff, the office help and the other help at the Local Union for their splendid cooperation with each other in the past year to make our Union a bigger and better Union.

I would like to also extend my heart-filled sympathy and gratitude to all of the boys who are overseas and express a hope that their future Christmas Seasons may be spent in a Community of peace and human understanding.

TO ONE AND ALL, MAY I SAY, "MERRY CHRISTMAS."

Dunne and Boyer Bring Charm And Hilarity To New Romance

"Together Again"; screen play by Virginia Van Upp and F. Hugh Herbert; produced by Virginia Van Upp; directed by Charles Vidor; a Columbia Picture now playing at the Rivoli Theatre with the following cast: Anne Crandall, Irene Dunne; George Corday, Charles Boyer; Jonathan Crandall Sr., Charles Coburn; Diana Crandall, Mona Freeman; Gilbert Parker, Jerome Courtland; Jessie, Elizabeth Patterson; Morton Buchanan, Charles Dingle; Witherspoon, Walter Baldwin; Lillian, Fern Emmett; Leonardo, Frank Puglia.

Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer, the tender and incomparable romantic team of "Love Affair," are "Together Again" with Charles Coburn at the Rivoli Theatre in a film that promises to be even more memorable than their famous first.

Both Miss Dunne and Mr. Boyer have added laurels to their screen careers since they last co-starred, but together they seem to radiate a reciprocal quality that makes this new film the very best for both of them since their initial teaming.

Miss Dunne is enchanting as the young widow who, since the death of her husband, the mayor of a small Vermont town, has carried on in the same office. If all mayors were as lovely as Miss Dunne, political struggles could be safely relegated to the ward heelers. She gives her characterization that same freshblown charm that marks every performance of Miss Dunne's an entertainment treat.

'Have a Good Time'

As the widow of a town hero and the keeper of a great family tradition, Irene is loathe to admit the faint stirrings of impatience she sometimes feels with the life of public archives and sanitation problems. But her crusty, lovable old father-in-law, admirably played by Charles Coburn, is not in the least reticent in proclaiming that what Irene needs is a man. So, when a freak accident beheads the statue of Irene's deceased husband, Papa Coburn talks Irene into going to New York to commission a sculptor to do a new statue, admonishing her to buy a silly hat and have a good time while she's in the city.

To have the sculptor, himself, turn out to be Charles Boyer is, of course, even more than Mr. Coburn could have wished for, and needless to say, the old man is delighted when Boyer follows Irene home, calmly establishes himself under her own roof, and goes to work on the statue. What Mr. Coburn does not know is that in the company of Boyer, Irene had been mistaken for a strip-tease artist in New York and had spent the one night of her visit in a city jail.

It's a gladsome thing that a Hollywood studio, Columbia Picturs in this instance, has again set to work the delightful talents of Mr. Boyer for the medium of romantic comedy. He does a splendid job as the gay artist who lives and loves and laughs unconventionally, and is most certainly not above using polite blackmail to achieve his desires.

VIRGINIA GOES TO DRAMA

From gal riveter to lady blacksmith is the transition Virginia O'Brien makes for her newest film role. Marking her first departure from strictly deadpan didoes, Virginia will have a light dramatic characterization in "The Harvey Girls."

Dunne-Boyer Together Again

Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer, romantic lovers of "Love Affair," are once more teamed for ecstatic film fans in Columbia Pictures' "Together Again" now playing at the Rivoli Theatre. With them this time is Charles Coburn, once more in one of his famous Cupid roles.

M-G-M's "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" Epic Film Based On Best-Seller Book

"Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo," which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is coming to the Valentine Theater, is a film of epic proportions. Vividly adapted for the screen by that expert scenarist, Dalton Trumbo, from the best-seller by Captain (now Major) Ted Lawson and Robert Considine, the film emerges as one of the most human stories to come out of the present war.

Climaxed by the famous American bombing of Tokyo, it relates the glorious personal romance of Ted and Ellen Lawson, the man who takes part in adventure so daring, and the woman who waits for his return. Their story is the story of human beings during wartime.

Romance with Suspense

Mervyn LeRoy has combined this romance with gripping suspense and thrilling characterizations by an expert cast. A star no less than Spencer Tracy was chosen to portray the celebrated Lieutenant Colonel (now Lieutenant General) James H. Doolittle, leader of the historic raidand that is as it should be. Lawson himself is portrayed by Van Johnson; Corporal (now Staff Sergeant) Thatcher by Robert ("Private Hargrove")/ Walker, and Ellen Lawson by Phyllis Thaxter, a face and name new to moviedom but destined for early stardom if her present performance is any criterion.

"Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" tells of the Doolittle misison, what preceded it and what followed it, in deeply human terms. Ted Lawson's training for the great task and his fleeting moments with his Ellen form the basis for what is certainly one of the most stirring pictures in many, many months.

There are several other newcomers in the cast who bear watching. As members of the Lawson crew, Tim Murdock, Scott McKay, Gordon McDonald and Don DeFore turning in excellent performances to rival those of the leading players.

"Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" is altogether a "must" picture. By all means go to see it.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Big Popcorn Mystery The Latest Thriller

HOLLYWOOD—M-G-M's big popcorn mystery has been solved.

A large old fashioned Christmas tree was decorated with candles, paper chains, a few meagre ornaments and strings of cranberries and popcorn for a rural Yuletide scene in "For Our Vines Have Tender Grapes." The popcorn strings kept disappearing. It didn't take a master detective to solve where they went.

Margaret O'Brien, 7-year old star and little Jackie "Butch" Jenkins who have leading roles in the picture both like popcorn.

Extra! Greg Slaps Greer---and Hard

HOLLYWOOD — James Cagney made screen history when he clapped a grapefruit into Mae Clark's kisser, but Gregory Peck goes him one better in the production of "The Valley of Decision." He slaps Greer Garson! Greer, playing Mary Rafferty, the Irish servant who wins the love of Paul Scott (Peck), knew the slap was coming when the scene was filmed, but didn't expect it in rehearsal.

Startled, she sank back on her heels, put her hand to her reddened cheek, and as Greg made embarrassed apologies, she cracked:

"And he didn't even use a grapefruit!"

John Warburtons Buy Desert Ranch

HOLLYWOOD — John Warburton, screen player, and his bride, the former Ruth Selwyn, bought a 165-acre ranch near Palm Springs this week. This will be Ruth's first experience with the rural life. They will raise cattle and alfalfa.

MUSTACHE FOR WHORF

Richard Whorf has grown a mustache to direct murder mystery "The Hidden Eye." He says it gives him the proper "sinister" feeling for the "whodunit."

The Sarong's The Thing— So Dottie Wears It Again

Dorothy Lamour's return to the sarong is sure to be greeted with appreciative nods by film-goers.

After making four pictures minus the garment which made her famous and added another word to the common or household vocabulary, Dottie, at the insistence of film fans and servicemen all over the world, is doing her duty in Paramount's grand musical, "Rainbow Island," now showing at the Paramount Theatre.

They didn't get La Lamour back into the native scanties without some argument, however. When the dust of combat finally cleared, it was learned that not only would the star wear seven sarongs designed by Edith Head, Paramount stylist, but also that the garments would be patterned after samples sent to Dottie by Uncle Sam's fighting men in the South Pacific.

Dorothy Lamour

Ever since stepping out of an elevator and into the limelight, Miss Lamour has proved to have a mind of her own. She has also earned a reputation for doing the unexpected when it wasn't expected. So intimates were scarcely surprised when she rescinded her determination to go fans sarong in the future and consented to again become Hollywood's "best undressed star" in "Rainbow Island, complete with native dancers, comedians and Technicolor.

MAJORIE MAIN RESTS

Marjorie Main, one of Hollywood's busiest actresses, has left town for a two-week vacation in Palm Springs, the first from the lot in more than two years.

Photo Record For Husband Overseas

HOLLYWOOD — Not even the Pacific Ocean will keep Ginger Rogers from sharing Christmas with her husband, Sgt. Jack Briggs, with the U. S. Marines in New Caledonia.

The star has the entire record or her pre-Christmas shopping on the film of her Leica camera. Pictures, which show her in the various stores hunting for gifts, wrapping them, mailing packages at the post office, making candy and holiday sweets, hunting for the tree, compiling her Christmas list, etc., are sent to Sgt. Briggs each day. They will be brought up to date with pictures of her to their home on Chirstmas Day unwrapping the gifts he's sent from overseas.

FIVE DOGS FOR JIMMIE

James Craig's ranch is "going to the dogs." The Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actor added his fifth canine to his ranch "family" this week when he noticed a pure-bred but sickly pointer in a kennel near his home. Craig's affection for animals was too much for him to resist buying the dog, which he now is nursing back to good health.

Liz And Jo-Jo

ELIZABETH TAYLOR wants you to meet Jo-Jo, known in Hollywood as The Killer. Elizabeth is only twelve, with a successful debut in "Lassie Come Home" behind her. This pretty little trouper takes the important lead in the M-G-M technicolor "National Velvet," co-starring Mickey Rooney.

Screen Costume a Premiere Fashion

HOLLYWOOD — Judy Garland attended the New York premiere of "Meet Me in St. Louis" in costume—but she was the only one who knew it!

Her gown, on this thrilling occasion, was the deep red velvet ball dress she wears in the picture. She simply removed the bustle, discarded the old-fashioned laced corset, and friends who had seen her wear the same dress only five minutes before on the screen, met her in the lobby and asked where she has found the lovely new evening dress.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Actress Lucille Ball and Sergeant Desi Arnaz will mark the Yuletide holiday this year with an open house for film capital friends on Christmas day.

The M-G-M star will have two tables, one with American foods and the other with Cuban dishes.

LUXURY FOR SOLDIER

Frances Rafferty's husband, Major John Horton wrote her from Italy not to worry about him for he's living in the most luxurious place he's ever seen outside of the movies. It's a huge marble home with five tiled bathrooms.

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UAW Creates Fair Practices Committee

To Deal With Minority Questions And Discrimination

DETROIT, Dec. 18—R. J. Thomas, president of the UAW-CIO, has announced the creation by the union of a Fair Practices Committee to deal with problems of discrimination among its own membership. In taking this action, the UAW-CIO International Executive Board has recognized "that the trade union movement in America cannot hope to grow to its full stature as long as any segment of its membership is subjected to treatment different from that accorded all other members," and "that discrimination against minority groups exists in our movement, notwithstanding our vigorous educational efforts and the acknowledged leadership of our Union in the fight to stamp out discrimination from American life . . ."

Will Formulate Policies

In addition to receiving and investigating complaints of alleged violations of the union's anti-discrimination policy, Thomas stated that the Committee will formulate and recommend policies aimed at effectuating the principle of fair practice and will act in an advisory capacity to all international departments and local unions on matters specifically affecting minority groups within the union.

George F. Addes, secretary-treasurer, has been named as chairman of the Fair Practices Committee. Other members of the Committee include international executive board members Joseph Mattson, Carl Swanson, Arnold Atwood, and Richard T. Leonard.

George W. Crockett, Jr., formerly associated with the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practices, will act as executive director.

Veterans' Group Asks Jobs For All

KANSAS CITY (LPA)—Organization of a new national veterans organization composed of men and women of the present war was undertaken here last week by 30 veterans from eight states and the District of Columbia. Brig. Gen. J. C. Holdbridge, retired, of Washington, was named secretary.

A 14-point program included a pledge by the new organization to work for development of the highest living standards for all citizens and a guarantee of jobs for all Americans, men and women, able and willing to work.

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BANQUET

Biggest surprise of the year was the presentation of a bonus check to the company employees at the banquet sponsored by Mr. Reeves.

It was explained to us that it was because of the Cleveland plant that the employes were presented with the check. Of course, some of us, like myself, might be a trifle inclined to look deeper for the motive. This being the week before Christmas, I will try and let the Christmas spirit overcome me, and skip it—at least, temporarily.

Personally, I was bored by the question and answer period which was conducted following the banquet. Some of the answers were dull and a long way from winning the $64 question.

One of the questions in which I was particularly interested was the one "why did they stop the selling of coffee in the shop?" Mr. Snyder handled this question with all the finesse of a football player who lugs the ball for a gain to the goal and then fumbles just as he is to cross pay dirt. And the egg business? Well! Maybe the company doesn't want us to develop coffee nerves. It might be for another reason also, although as far as I'm concerned it seems to me, that a little caffeine now and then is relished by the best of men, and the same is true of women." Oh, well. Anyhow, how didja like the banquet?

MEETING

Were you at the last meeting of the Unit? If not, why not? After all, you are a member of th union and as such should attend your Unit meetings. If you want a strong union, you are the ones who will make it that way. And so, I close with best wishes to you all for a Merry Christmas, and hopes for a bigger and better bonus in 1945.

Consumers' Counsel Asked By Women

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Convinced that a major test of the success of the administration's reconversion program will be its effect on the people of the United States as consumers, a group of labor, women's and consumer groups last week wrote to "Assistant President" James Byrnes urging the inclusion of a consumer counsel in the government reconversion machinery.

Both AFL and CIO Women's Auxiliaries signed the letter, as did the national councils of Negro and Jewish women, the Natl. Education Assn, the Farmers Union, the Women's Trade Union League, and several other large groups.

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UAW Contract Is Endorsed By Legion

DETROIT, Dec. 19. The Detroit District Association of the American Legion has adopted a resolution endorsing the model contract clause of the UAW-CIO which extends to veterans not protected by the re-employment provisions of the Selective Service Act seniority credit for the time they spent in service, Victor G. Reuther, assistant director of the UAW-CIO War Policy Division, has been informed by District Commander Walter Scott.

The District Legion Association represents 76 American Legion posts, with membership of more than 12,000 World War I veterans.

Veterans not employed at the time they entered service and those employd in "temporary" positions are not protected by the Act, Reuther said. According to Selective Service estimates, these groups constitute more than 80 per cent of the men now in service.

Presented by Commander

The resolution commending the UAW-CIO and approving the principle set forth in its model contract clause was presented to the Detroit District Association of the Legion by Geo. P. Buckley, a member of the staff of the Veterans Department of the UAW-CIO War Policy Division and commander of the Lohman-Lincoln post of the American Legion, most of whose members are also members of Lincoln Local 900 of the UAW-CIO.

In informing Reuther of the action, Commander Scott said:

"In adopting this resolution, we endorse the policy of affording seniority rights to honorably discharged veterans who do not now have such seniority rights because they either had no employment before entering service or because such employment was temporary.

"The Districts Association of the American Legion, Department of Michigan, feels they are entitled to that consideration by both labor and management."

To Cooperate With Veterans

Reuther explained that the UAW-CIO's policy is to cooperate with all veteran's organizations, all of whom are being canvassed for reactions to the UAW-CIO proposal.

"The War Policy Division welcomes this action by Legion District Association as one result of the UAW-CIO policy of cooperating with all existing, bona fide veterans organizations," he said. "The same action was taken several weeks ago by the Indiana Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars."

The UAW-CIO model contract clause provides that veterans not employed on entering service but who obtain employment after their discharge in a plant covered by a UAW-CIO contract shall receive seniority credit equal to the length of time they spent in service. It also stipulates that the employer and the union agree that there are no "temporary" employes in the industry within the meaning of that term as used in the Selective Service Act, but that any employe entering service shall accumulate his seniority during his period of service and shall be entitled to reinstatement in his job in accordance with his accumulated seniority.

The model clause has been presented to all employers with whom the UAW-CIO has contracts. First ma employer to agree to it was the Packard Motor Car Company, whose agreement last week prevented the layoff of 500 World War II veterans.

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About Food Control

by Eleanor Fowler, Secretary-Treasurer

A big battle is in progress over whether to remove almost all food rationing controls or to return the major portion of the meat and canned vegetable supply to rationing.

The War Food Administration, which decides what food shall be rationed, has wanted to remove controls. They forced the original meat holiday last spring and the August removal of canned vegetables from the ration list.

Consumers have been afraid that the food processors were the real power behind the scenes there. They want to sell this year's poor quality canned vegetables at present high prices as quickly as possible for fear they might have to lower prices in case of an early victory and release of some army stores.

They don't seem to be too concerned about the fact that this year's civilian supply of canned vegetables is considerably under last year's. Maybe they even look forward to the time when shortages develop, as they will if the present reckless policy of no rationing continues, because shortages build pressure for increased prices.

ANOTHER SERIOUS EFFECT

The blue point holiday on canned vegetables has had another serious effect. It has reduced the amount of processed foods being rationed to such a small fraction of the total supply that the system doesn't work. So few things are being rationed that rationing does not achieve its goal of fair distribution of short supply.

For those two reasons OPA has been pleading for authority to restore at least peas, beans, corn and tomatoes to the ration list So far WFA has refused to give that authority.

At present only some 28% of the meat supply is rationed. Every housewife knows what that has done to distribution and she wants more meats back on the ration list so that she will be able to buy what she wants.

That's another thing OPA has been fighting for. Officials there want 70 or 80% of the meat supply back under rationing, including utility beef. They could then make rationing work to give us fair distribution. WFA has suggested lifting rationing from meats entirely—a step which would create enormous pressure for price increases because supples are short.

There's another point we Americans should keep in mind when we think about rationing. Millions of people in Europe are starving. In Italy almost half of the infants born die before they are one year old. Yugoslavia and Greece are in just as desperate plight.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

It's our responsibility to help. We've escaped the horror and devastation of war in our own countryside. The least we can do is to keep our suffering allies from dying of starvation.

If we're going to do that we can't be wasteful with our food supplies. We should distribute them carefully, according to need and build up some surpluses. And the best way we know to do the job of distribution according to need is rationing.

It's up to the consumers to convince government that they approve of rationing and want it retained and extended as long as shortages exist. Marvin Jones, Director of the War Food Administration, should hear from us and Judge Fred Vinson, Director of Economic Stabilization And let's let Chester Bowles, Administrator of OPA, know that we think OPA is fighting for consumer interests in its stand on rationing.

Carey Condemns Race Seniority

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (LPA)—The first labor speaker to appear before the Capitol Press Club in its ten months of existence, CIO secretary-treasurer James B. Carey, last week told the club of Negro newswriters in the nation's capital that the CIO has a "record of practicing what we preach."

The club, made up of Negro newspapermen here, heard Carey sail into those people in the labor movement who would relax the seniority rule in order to retain gains for Negro workers.

Carey said that, while "we don't contend the CIO is free from prejudice" it is true that the CIO is consistent and does not have one policy for the north and another for the south."

Mather Unit Mutterings

By Jim Foltz

Sorry to have left you boys down for the past few weeks, but it takes material to fill this space and you fellows are my source of material?

Christmas is rapidly approaching and people have the seasons spirit at this time. The employees at MATHER always have that spirit when it comes to aiding a less fortunate brother of his family. Our welfare committee has been doing a magnificent job and our boys have came thru once more. In the past four months there has been a total of $458.27 collected at the time clock. These contributions have aided our sick and injured people.

Some one said: write something about hunting. How about asking Tommy K. Young if his services in the army improved his hitting abiiity? When he starts to tell you of all his hits I will tell you of some of the misses over beautiful points. I have actual facts, eh Tom?

Have you noticed the neat sign on the time clock telling of the loss of one Winchester 22 rifle? Lost in the shop? Strange, the nite the rifle became lost there were five wooden guns carried past the watchman. Those wooden guns have caused a lot of comment and curiosity. Would be nice if the gun were returned to inspector Ed Bobzean.

Have you brought in your contribution for the Xmas boxes? That pile of groceries already in the factory keeps rising and sure looks great.

Sinfelt wants to know who the crabbiest foreman in the factory is and how come you can't act like a human being once in a while—Irish?

Bringing in the morning newspaper is one of the more important duties of a timekeeper according to Hank Mayo and Ora Rittenour is slipping up on that duty once in a while. Come—come Ora, bring forth to be seen.

Tony Konekowski has a new bowling ball, new shoes and even a new stance at the starting lanes. L. Wingert says the only thing lacking now is a good score once in a while.

Stockeeper Frank is quite clever with his speak driving in traffic though some people are afraid one of these slippery mornings he may miscalculate and learn the fenders of his car are also made of tin.

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Unemployment Up In Ohio

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 18—Scattered cut-backs, coupled with seasonal lay-offs accounted largely for an increase of more than 35 per cent in unemployment compensation payments in Ohio during November, Administrator Charles H. Jones of the Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation reported today.

Benefit payments in the state increased to $57,592, compared with October's all-time monthly low of $42,386, and reversed for the first time this year a downward trend in unemployment compensation. Twenty-seven of the 51 local offices of the Ohio Bureau reported increases in benefit payments. Approximately 40 per cent of the compensable unemployment in Ohio was concentrated in Cleveland, Toledo, Youngstown, Ironton and Marion.

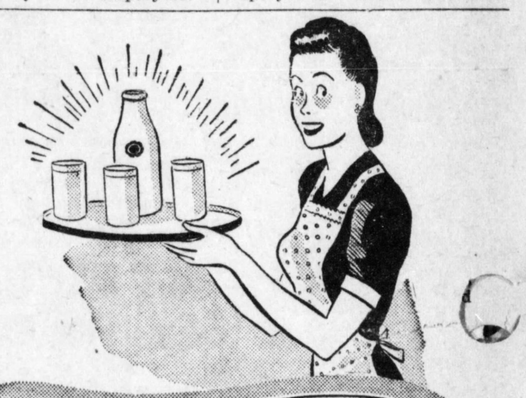
Despite these increases, five Ohio cities—East Liverpool, Piqua, Ravenna, Troy and Wooster—had no compensable unemployment during the month, Mr. Jones said, while Ashland, Findlay, Washington C. H. and Wooster had no new claims for benefits filed, indicating either that there were no new layoffs by covered employers in these areas, or that if there were layoffs workers were being rapidly absorbed by other employers.

Subways A Post-War Project

WASHINGTON (LPA)—nation's capital, which zoomed in population 600,000 before the defense program in 1939 to more than 1,500,000 in the metropolitan area today, may have a subway system after the war.

Pre-war plans or subways have been stalled time and again because much of Washington is built on marshy ground and small streams still roll underground beneath some of the largest government buildings. Engineers who have worked on the problem for 15 years point out that the construction of the Washington Monument had to be halted because the original foundations started to sink into the unstable ground. Potomac River floods in springtime still endanger government buildings. Sandbag barriers were placed around ramps at the Justice Dep't and other buildings last spring when a Potomac River flood churned water within 50 yards of the Washington Monument.

Construction of a subway system would employ at least 50,000 workers in a city, unique in the nation, that has no heavy industry and only a small amount of light industry which grew out of sudden wartime needs. Only two labor organizations have substantial membership in Washington: government employes and construction men.



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Shipyard Cost 400% More Than Contract

WASHINGTON (LPA) — A Rhode Island shipyard that was to have cost $6,500,000 but was finally built at a cost of nearly $27,000,000 last week drew the attention of leaders of New England unions whose members have been seeking a pay raise for more than a year.

A report on the shipyard, designed to turn out Liberty Ships, was released by the House Merchant Marine Committee. It criticized the Rheem Manufacturing Co., builders, and the Maritime Commission which "did not properly safeguard government expenditures thru adequate supervision and control of an inexperienced contractor's activities and expenditures."

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Big Dailies Slam NAM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (LPA)—Criticism of the reactionary and union-baiting National Ass'n. of Manufacturers, once the property of organized labor, is now extending even into business groups that find they cannot stomach the NAM's desperate efforts to turn the clock back to Hoover-type capitalism.

Even newspapers that are carrying expensive full-page ads which began to issue recently as part of a nationwide NAM propoganda campaign are protesting that the NAM refuses to grow up with the times.

An editorial in the influential Washington Post (Dec. 13) declared that "The resolutions passed by the NAM would gladden the hearts of the laissez-faire economists of the early 19th century. But as a guide to constructive thought or action they are of little value to the industrialist of the mid-twentieth century.

"A nostalgic harking back," the editorial concludes, "to economic abstractions that reflected the economic conditions of a bygone age is sheer waste of time and purpose, as the NAM resolutions are."

Similar criticism has been voiced by a Philadelphia daily and several syndicated columnists.

People's Revolt On Way, Wallace

CHICAGO (LPA) — "A people's revolution is on the march," Vice-president Henry Wallace told Chicago labor and liberal leaders here last week.

The reactionary Republicans, Wallace said, "know that something is happening but can't quite figure out what it is."

Addressing a banquet in honor of Marshall Field, publisher of the Chicago Sun and owner of PM, Wallace said that "the reactionary Republican runs around in his wild panic to gain some measure of security for himself, his wealth and the wealth of his children."

From a Christian point of view, Wallace continued, "he is subject to condemnation because seeing the signs of the times he fails to use his influence to make the inevitable revolution beneficent, striving instead for short-lived power in the old-fashioned way."

Postwar wage cuts, Wallace warned, could lower the nation's income by thirty billion dollars and result in such reduced employment and consumption as to make even the interest on the national debt "almost impossible to pay."

Third Party For Labor Debated By Unionist

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (LPA)—Summing up the ideas of two labor leaders on the November elections, "Common Sense" magazine in its December issue presents articles by A. Philip Randolph and James P. Carey.

"An independent party" is advocated by Randolph, who is president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters-AFL.

"A non-partisan political base representing the community of interests among all groups in modern society" is urged upon labor by Carey, secy.-treas. of the CIO.

"A third party, geared to independent political action, not to support candidates of the old parties, must be organized without delay if America is to face with assurance the difficult problems of peace and post war reconstruction," Randolph writes.

"The Cooperative Commonwealth Federation in Canada," the AFL official says, "furnishes an excellent model."

Not The Time

Urging non-partisan organization with a strong program, Carey expresses his belief that "dogmatism and making a fetish of third-partyism is wrong-headed. Instead, what must be concentrated upon is the gathering and working together of our representatives respond to the wishes and aspirations of their constitutents. This primary goal becomes clouded when one particular organizational device is considered the sole approach."

"The minimum program of a non-partisan, progressive political organization can be expressed very succinctly," Carey maintains. This is, he says, "Sixty million effectively consuming workers to be well informed voters by 1946, so that they may forward the aims of peace and plenty."

60,000,000 Jobs Will Bring Ruin, Says Tire Boss

WASHINGTON (LPA)—President Roosevelt's proposal of 60,000,000 postwar jobs would destroy family life and result in economic chaos, the nation was solemnly warned last week by President William O'Neil, of the General Tire and Rubber Co.

A prepared statement by O'Neil, harking back to Hoover days, declared that "If 60,000,000 people are to work after the war, it means the end of the home as we have known it. It mans that we will have fewer children . . . It means increased business in the divorce courts, increased juvenile delinquency, and a breaking up of the greatest of all American institutions, the home. And economically, it means elimination of the greatest of all industries, home building.

O'Neil's prepared statement failed to analyze the consequences of possible mass unemployment in the postwar period and the advantage to employers if there are more workers than jobs.

Negroes Employed By UAW

DETROIT, Dec. 16—Fourteen Negro men and women are employed by the UAW-CIO as organizers, technically known as international representatives, or as specialists, it was announced today at the International headquarters of the union in Detroit.

Three of the fourteen have been added to the staff within recent weeks.

In addition to the fourteen Negro men and women employed as international representatives or specialists, the union revealed that there are several Negroes employed as office workers in various departments of the union.

The fourteen Negroes employed by the UAW-CIO are engaged in a wide variety of activities, both by departments and geographically. Those recently appointed to the staff are Alexander Washington, of Ford Local 600; William H. Oliver, Highland Park Local 400; and Harold Johnson, Local 600, all of Detroit.

Head Committee

Possibly the most important position held by a Negro on the staff of the International Union is that filled by George W. Crockett, Jr., who is executive secretary of the union's newly organized Fair Practices Committee. This committee represents the first coordinated and detailed effort by an American labor union to deal with racial discrimination within its own ranks.

Crockett is also general advisor to UAW-CIO President R. J. Thomas and the International Union on problems dealing with racial minorities.

While the UAW-CIO does not draw any color line, neither does it draw any lines based on sex. Equality extends to the sexes as well as to the races. Thus, Mrs. Lillian Hatcher, Negro member of Briggs Aircraft Local 742, Detroit, is attached to the women's bureau of the union's War Policy Committee, of which R. J. Thomas is director and Victor G. Reuther, assistant director. Mrs. Hatcher took an active part in organizing the International Union's recent women's conference.

Other Negro Workers

Other Negro workers on the staff of the UAW-CIO are:

William Kennedy, Local 157, Detroit; attached to the General Motors Department, Walter P. Reuther, director;

Oscar Noble, of Local 653, Pontiac; Region 1, East Side of Detroit, Norman Matthews, director;

John Conyers, of Local 7, Chrysler; Detroit; Region 1, Melvin Bishop, director;

Oliver LaGrone, of Ford Local 600; Education Department, William Levitt, director;

William Lattimore, of Dodge Local 3, Detroit; Region 2A, Ohio, Paul Miley, director;

Wesley Thompson, of Chrysler Local 274, Chicago; Region 4, Illinois and Wisconsin, Joseph Mattson, director;

Leon Bates, of Briggs Local 212, Detroit; Region 3, Indiana, Arnold Atwood, director;

Johnson Buchanon, of Buick Local 599, Flint; Region 10, Flint area, Carl Swanson, director;

William Fowler, of Goodyear Local 856, Akron, Ohio; Region 2A, Ohio, Richard Reisinger, director.

Printers Vote No On Strike Calls By Officers

INDIANAPOLIS (LPA) — By a vote of almost 2 to 1 the International Typographical Union has rejected a proposal giving strike-calling powers to the union's Executive Council.

In the same membership referendum the printers turned down a proposal to increase the salaries of their vice-presidents. Another proposal that the second vice-president must live in Indianapolis was voted down by 25,531 to 22,172.

Spending Your Buck

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CLOTHING

Despite the fact that thousands of complaints have been sent to the government by housewives from all sections of the country relative to the scarcity of low cost clothing, WPB officials who have known for some time the reasons for a large part of the scarcity, have refused to release the facts.

For quite some time now the manufacturers of women's and children's clothing have been switching to higher priced lines in order to increase their profits which are already the highest in history. As a result of the scramble for higher profits, some lines of low cost clothing have practically disappeared from the market.

Production figures for the first three months of this year, when compared with a similar period of 1943, show that women's and misses dresses priced to sell at $3.95 or less were 60 per cent fewer, while those priced to sell at $9.95 and up were increased by 32 per cent.

Girls dresses at $6.95 were 1 per cent fewer, whereas those priced in excess of this price were increased by 87 per cent.

Women's blouses, waists shirts at $1.95 and under were 5 per cent fewer, those from $1.19 to $2.95 were increased by 19 per cent and those in excess of this figure were 92 per cent more plentiful.

NOT HOLDING LINE

While these figures are not complete, that show what the WPS is not doing to help hold the line on prices and demonstrate how the manufacturers are putting profits ahead of everything else and getting away with it. This has been their constant effort ever since the inception of the alleged price control act.

Women are not purchasing higher priced clothing because they wish to, but because they have very little choice in the matter. If the WPB and OPA are really serious about correcting this matter, they could find no better time than the present, when the War Labor Board acting on order of War Mobilization Director Vinson rejected upward revision of the little steel formula.

Housewives are urged to write to their newly elected, or re-elected congressmen demanding thm to turn the heat on the WPB. They are also urged to tell OPA to put ceilings on clothing prices which can and will be enforced.

Tent Shortage Laid To Low Wages

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 — (LPA)—The way in which substandard wages sabotage the war effort by holding down production and intensifying the manpower problem was illustrated here this week by the Textile Workers Union-CIO in submitting three new cases to the War Labor Board.

Three recently organized Texas mills, the WLB was told, are concentrating on production of cotton duck "which the WPB and the Army say is so urgently needed that it may be necsary to substitute sheet steel for tentage if production of this fabric is not increased rapidly enough."

However, the minimum wage in each of the three mills is 40c an hour, the minimum allowed by the Fair Labor Standards Act. Average wage for the most skilled men in the three plants is 62-65c an hour.

Not far from these mills, according to John Edelman, TWUA Washington representative, "are airplane and other war factories where the starting wage for unskilled labor is at least as high as the top wage for the most highly skilled mechanics in the cotton mills."

"It is no wonder," Edelman pointed out, "that the three Texas duck mills are operating with about 40% of a capacity work force. The owners of the mills complain about high overhead due to insufficient labor force. OPA this week announced another price rise to producers of duck. But the WLB is still considering, after having had the case before it for a year, the demand of the TWUA for a minimum wage of 60c an hour in the cotton textile industry.

U. S. War Fleet Now Totals 51,155 Ships

NORFOLK, Va. (LPA)—American workers have turned out the world's largest navy since Pearl Harbor, Navy Secretary Forrestal announced last week.

The United States fleet now totals 51,155 ships, including 1155 combat vessels, with hundreds of ships still under construction and more planned. As the Navy has grown the personnel has increased to more than 3,100,000 including 475,000 Marines and 169,000 Coast Guardsmen.

Unionism Threatened By Postwar Reaction

Warning Delivered By Liberals And Union Heads

NEW YORK (LPA)—Organized labor may have to fight for its life in a postwar period of reaction and unemployment.

That was the warning delivered by union officials and spokesmen for a dozen liberal and pro-labor organizations at the National Conference on Postwar Reaction held in conjunction of the Workers Defense League.

Representatives of all branches of organized labor emphasized the need for immediate and comprehensive planning plus political action to provide the 60,000,000 peacetime jobs proposed by President Roosevelt.

Even in this so-called wartime boom "Twenty one and a half million American people earn less than $1000 a year," said James Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO. "Over 70% of our population earns less than $2000 a year."

Issues Warning

For the AFL, President A. Philip Randolph, of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, warned that "It does not follow that the extermination of Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito will mean the abolition of Nazism, fascism and militarism, nor is it sensible to assume that the victory of the United Nations means the end of world oppression and exploitation."

More than 300 delegates attended the conference which went on record in opposition to a labor draft.

The convention adopted resolutions callings for passage of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Act, for repeal of the poll tax, for the right of civil service employes to organize and strike, and opposing segregation of Negroes in the armed services.

Oppose Labor Draft

Sam B., Eubanks, executive vice-president of the American Newspaper Guild-CIO keynoted opposition to labor draft proposals. "Since the beginning of the war," Eubanks pointed out, "legislation to draft American workers for service in private industry has been discussed in Congress. Its advocates have been professional militarists and anti-labor politicians whose ideas were embodied in a bill introduced jointly by Sen. Austin of Vermont and Rep. Wadsworth of N. Y. Their bill proposed registration of every man between 18 and 65 and every woman between 18 and 50 with their classification by Selective Service to make them available for work in any area, industry or plant where a labor shortage was decreed."

Only a third party, distinct and separate from the two old-line parties, can effectively represent the American workers, declared President Samuel Wolchok of the United Retail, Wholesale, Department Store Employes-CIO.

In the long run unions and their members have little to gain from either of the old parties, he contended. "Millions of workers and farmers would welcome such a party," he said. Neither CIO nor AFL political committees could do the job that the future demads, Wolchok said.

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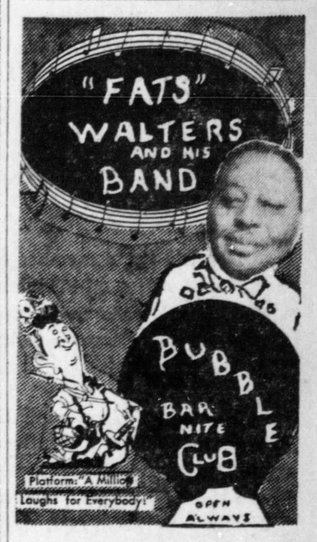

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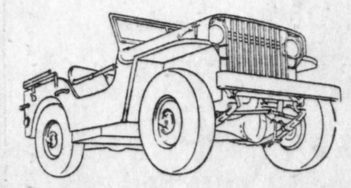

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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation

Christmas time, which brings to us a spirit of cheer, happiness, and love for one another, is upon us with all its true meaning. I would like to say to all you brothers and sisters in behalf of Regional Director Richard Gosser, President Melvin Schultz, and the rest of us members of the UAW-CIO, Local 12, official family that we extend to you the deepest and most heartfelt good wishes for a very merry Christmas and an enjoyable, progressive, prosperous, and happy New Year. To this we add that we fondly hope that God will protect you in health, happiness, and security and that He will preserve you for many years to come.

"Birdie" Rule

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Many football fans throughout the nation seem to be in doubt as to the real boss of professional football. Let me quote George Strickler, director of public relations for the National Football League, who says, "Elmer Layden is the commissioner of professional football, not the National League. He is president of the National League. As commissioner of professional football, selected, hired and paid by the major league, he supervises inter-league relations between the National League and its affiliates." Guess that ought to clear up the situation and tell who is the real boss.

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Don Shuler, a member of the Spicer Sportsmen's Club, has served notice on other club members that he is going to spend considerable time doing some ice fishing this winter. Don is one of the most active sportsmen at Spicer and enjoys the unique title of "little man with big stuff".

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The first college football game in this country was one played in 1869 between Princeton and Rutgers, the game going to rugged Rutgers men, 6 goals to 4. At that time there were 25 players on each team. During these days of "T" formations and fast, shifty plays I have a difficult time finding and watching the ball carrier with only 22 players on the field. Imagine trying to spot one little ball carrier in a scramble of 50 bodies.

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You golfers might be interested in knowing that exhibition golf matches last year sold more than $25,000,000 in war bonds.

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It is our aim to enlarge our Recreational department and to establish recreational rooms at Local 12. I would be very glad to hear from you telling about your suggestions and choice of games to be played, such as darts, quoits, horse shoes, chess, checkers, etc.

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Althought basketball is of purely American origin, 22 nations sent teams to the last Olympic games.

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By the way, did you know that the highest basketball score on record is 234 to 2, made by a Kansas City team? Wonder if the bookies gave any odds on that game.

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Don't forget to send in the names and doings of our union brothers in service.

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Bob Rose, of the Champion Spark Plug Unit, says that I am wrong on my prediction because I said that Georgia Tech would beat Tulsa in the Orange Bowl game. Every man to his own choice — so we shall see.

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Chuck Heebsch, of the Willys-Overland committee is looking for a "work-out partner." Says that he wants to lose some of that excess "muscle" which is fast accumulating around his middle.

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The War Department has told commanding officers in the field that no prominent person can be released from the Army for physical disability without prior approval by Washington. Although mentioning professional football players, the order also covers baseball and other sports figures, film actors, writers, and celebrities.

The order grew out of annoyance over released men who were physically able to return to sports stardom.

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To the uninitiated, table tennis might look like a tame game, yet it requires great skill and can become quite strenuous. In the hands of experts, and there are many fine players in Local 12, this game becomes as exciting to watch as some of the more spectacular forms of indoor sport. The growing number of table tennis enthusiasts proves that the game has a good future before it. We hope to soon see the game established as a part of the Local 12 recreational program.

DURING A BASEBALL GAME!

Abraham Lincoln was notified of his nomination as President of the United States while he was at bat. He said to visiting officials, "Wait a few minutes 'till I make another basehit."

RECREATIONAL PROGRAM ENLARGED BY LOCAL

Room To Be Equipped For Indoor Sports

Extensive plans for enlargement of the Local 12 recreational program are being carried into effect by Wilbert "Birdie" Rule, newly appointed Local 12 Educational and Recreational Director.

Mr. Rule, a former basketball and baseball player, has made arrangements for a room on the top floor of the Local headquarters to house the recreational equipment which will be purchased in the near future.

Darts, quoits, horseshoes, table tennis, chess, checkers and other recreational equipment will be purchased to supply a variety of recreational opportunities to suit every taste. Due to the shortages of equipment, it may require some time to secure all the material the new director wishes to obtain. However, Mr. Rule indicates that he will soon have sufficient games to make a beginning in the proposed program.

Year-Round Program Planned

A year-round program is envisioned by Mr. Rule, which will, when completed, include baseball, softball, skating, golf and other forms of indoor and outdoor sports. He plans upon holding tournaments in the highly competitive sports and will attempt to organize a number of table tennis teams to compete in a scheduled program.

Enlargement of the scope of the recreational program is in line with the desires of the officers and members of Local 12, and will be gradually enlarged as equipment becomes available.

Mr. Rule stating his objective said, "we know that this program for enlarging the recreational opportunities of Local 12 members cannot be accomplished overnight, but we will keep at it until we are able to offer the members of the Local a wide variety of recreation which will meet many different tastes."

Tentative plans call for converting the auditorium on the fifth floor of the Local 12 headquarters into a recreation room.

In addition to his duties as educational and recreatioanl director, Mr. Rule is sports editor of the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL.

With Canco six marks in the sixth frame, Capt. Nadolny rolled five strike row and his team won the game by three pins from the second place National Supply No. 1 team, Monday night at the Bowl-O-Drome alleys.

"I HAD TO DELETE THE NAME FOR REASONS OF SECURITY"

Ted Steele Sparks Nationals To Victory

By Ed Mandy

Knocking down 2697 pins Monday nite, the National Supply No. 1 sparked by anchor man Ted Steele (595) trimmed their co-workers National Supply No. 3 two games to one. Joe Biscays (550) and Bob Welton (551) helped National Supply No. 1 complete their big score. Stambaugh (523), Campbell (546) and Wolf (538) were high for National Supply No. 3.

Standard Commutator led by Ed Schmidt conquered Willys-Overland No. 2 club two out of three. John Kiplinger didn't shoot 500, but the last two games were about 25 pins over his average and together with Ed Schmidt (509) that was all the margin Commutators needed for the wins. Leo Zielinski (525) and Fred Croll (516) were high for the losers.

Mather Spring took two from National Supply No. 2 but one of those wins was by the skin of their teeth. After the score has been added a dozen times in the first game Mather's margin was one pin. O. Rittenour (543) was high for Mather Spring while J. Tauscher led National Supply No. 2.

Willys-Overland No. 1 did what no other club could do in the last round, by taking American Can into camp two games to one. American Can managed 3 two century scores while the best W-O No. 1 could do was Pete Johnson (192) yet the Jeep boys took the series.

During this time of the year when the ground is covered with ice and snow, remember that the birds must eat. Put food out for them but put it in a place shielded from elements of the weather.

Joe E. Brown May Become Baseball Czar

Toledo's own Joe E. Brown, film star, has been prominently mentioned by some sports writers as a logical sucessor to the late baseball commissioner, Judge Kenesaw M. Landis.

Although persons from every walk of life have been mentioned for the post, it is believed that Joe E. Brown may receive the appointment because of his knowledge of the game and his personal popularity. Joe's friends in Toledo would be pleased to see him receive this important appointment.

There is a strong feeling among Ohio's deer hunters that a special $2.50 to $5.00 deer license should be established, the revenue from same to be used in purchasing additional land for public hunting.

Tight Race In Y. Basketball Tournament

A classy and speedy basketball team representing the U. S. Coast Guard is at present leading the field in the National League of the Industrial Basketball Tournament sponsored by the Y, M. C. A. They have won two games and lost none.

The Willys-Overland team representing Local 12, are the defending champions. They have won one and lost one, having been defeated by a very clever and sharp shooting team from the Champion Spark Plug Co.

On Thursday, the champion Willys-Overland team plays the Packard Motor Co. team and the league leading U. S. Coast Guard plays the snappy Champion Spark Plug five. A large turnout is expected at these games according to George Carson, physical director of the Y. M. C. A.

Ohio State Looks Good

The fighting Bucks from Ohio State took a big step as the nation's top basketball team with it's 64 to 36 defeat of the University of Utah's National Collegiate Athletic Association champions. Ohio is the defend-champion of the Big Ten.

Ohio State has won two games this season, taking the measure of a good team from Michigan State in the opener.

To Men Who Are Rejected

If every male American of military age joined the armed forces, our war effort would collapse. It take millions serving on the home front to keep the fighting front functioning.

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So return home with your head high. Give your job the best that's in you, and buy all the war bonds you can. With you on the home front doing your best in support of the fighting front, victory will soon be ours.

At Lorain, Ohio, an unusual haul of three tons of herring was made last week.

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Sportsmen's Club Elects New Officers at Spicer

The Spicer Sportsmen's Club met last week for the election of officers for the coming year. The club has a membership of more than 400 employees of the plant and the hunting grounds cover a space of more that 2,500 acres at New Rochester, in Wood County, Ohio.

The following officers were elected at the meeting: John C. Breymaier, president; Walter Nadrasik, vice-president; Albert Mallak, secretary; and Alberta Smart, treasurer.

Walter Nadrasik was awarded first prize in a contest for the longest pheasant tail feather. It measured 23⅞ inches in length. Ralph Van Varee won second prize with a tail feather of 23¾ inches.

Awards were given to John Breymaier for catching a 5 lb. bass and to Ralph Smart for his catch of 4¾ lbs. In the walleyed pike class, Don Donaldson was given first prize for a 10-pounder and R. Bolton took second prize with an eight pound catch.

Plans were completed for a membership drive which will begin Jan. 1 and will continue until April 1, 1945. It was also announced that a dance will be held on or about Jan. 20. Complete arrangements have not been made.

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